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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

### In the application of

LUKE R. MAGEE, ET AL.

Serial No. 10/079,184 : Group Art Unit 3762

**Confirmation No. 7356**

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## **COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS**

## Box Missing Parts

## Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

[X] This replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (PTO-1533) mailed March 19, 2002. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533) is enclosed.

[X] No declaration or oath was filed at the time the patent application was filed. However, Applicants responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts on May 13, 2002, by filing a new original declaration (copy enclosed), but failed to submit substitute drawings as referred to in the Notice. As mentioned below, enclosed are new drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84.

Adjustment date: 08/20/2002 FILED: declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective or  
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01 FC:105 130-00 CP incomplete. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

[ ] The Provisional Application for Patent Cover Sheet (PTO/SB/16) that was filed was determined to be defective. A new cover sheet is attached.

[X] This replies to the Notice to File Missing Pats of Nonprovisional Application mailed March 19, 2002. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application is enclosed. To complete the informalities noted on the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, applicant submits herewith:

New drawings complying with the size requirements (in compliance with 37  
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- Specification of sufficient quality for optical character recognition (OCR) conversion of image to text;
- Title and/or Abstract in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.72;
- Sequence listings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821 *et seq.*
- Other (please specify). \_\_\_\_\_

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the surcharge set forth in 37 CFR §1.16(e) to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge payment of any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

[X] The Commissioner is also hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Notice to File Missing Parts to preserve the pendency of the above-identified application. The processing fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is as follows:

- \$ \_ for one-month extension of time;
- \$ 400.00 for two-month extension of time;
- \$ \_ for three-month extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to make any additional copies of this sheet needed to accomplish the purposes provided for herein and to charge any fee for such copies to Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

Respectfully submitted,

By \_\_\_\_\_

  
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION****FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)*****Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- o The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- o To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- o The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- o Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1 0 cm. (3/8 inch);